# HARRISONVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY

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June 24, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554 CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION – SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC DOCKET NOS. 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208, BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

RE: WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 11-42

Annual Report Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.422

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Harrisonville Telephone Company hereby files its FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form in compliance with 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and Section 54.422 via the FCC Electronic Comment Filing System. Pursuant to the Protective Order released November 16, 2012 (FCC Record DA 12-1857), and in accordance with the Commission's confidentiality rules, we are filing a redacted version of the financial information required by §54.313(f)(2). In addition, attached is a letter requesting confidential treatment under §§0.457 and 0.459 of the initial §54.202(a) Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan. Required confidential and redacted versions of Form 481 have been mailed to the Commission.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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2014 ETC Annual Report of Harrisonville Telephone Company

Request for Confidentiality

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Harrisonville Telephone Company (the "Company") hereby requests, pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, withholding from public inspection certain information contained in an attachment to the above referenced reporting requirement. The Company provides the following in support of its request, numbered consistent with the subparagraphs of Section 0.459(b).

- 1. The information for which the Company is seeking confidential treatment is an attachment to the Company's annual reporting information pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules ("Report").
- 2. Rate-of-Return Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") must file with the Commission an initial section 54.202(a) Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan ("Five-Year Plan") which is contained in the attachment to the 2014 Report.
- 3. The information contained in the attachment for which the Company seeks the withholding from public inspection is the detailed description of information pertaining to the Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 as the Line 112 attachment. Information of this nature is confidential commercial information routinely withheld from public inspection.
- 4. With respect to identifying the degree to which the subject attachment concerns a service that is subject to competition, the information is of a financial and competitive nature regarding the provision of telecommunications services. The Line 112 attachment contains competitively sensitive information related to

proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance to the Company's network.

In its March 5, 2013 Order in WC Docket 10-90 et al, the FCC specified that for rate-of-return carriers, the five-year plans "should describe the carrier's network improvement plan, which should provide greater visibility into current plans to extend broadband service to unserved locations in rate-of-return service territories." Accordingly, because the Company is a rate-of-return carrier, it must file a five-year service improvement plan which contains proprietary, competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network and describe proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance of its network throughout its service area. Specifically, this information sets forth services provided by the Company over its existing network and planned network improvement and maintenance for the years 2015 through 2019 including improvements and upgrades at the wire center level and projected capital costs associated with the improvements and upgrades and operating costs associated with maintaining the network. As such, this information contains competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network as well as detailed plans at the wire center level for network upgrades and maintenance projected for the years 2015 through 2019.

- 5. With respect to identifying possible exposure to competitive harm, the information contained in the Line 112 attachment is information that is not customarily released to the public. This information is proprietary to the Company, is unique to the Company's serving territory and is only known to the Company and its authorized agents. If the Information is not protected, it would have economic value to potential competitors who would be able to target their marketing to specific customers. In a competitive telecommunications marketplace, this type of information is highly sensitive. If publicly disclosed, it would enable competitors to craft business plans that capitalize on their knowledge of the locations of the Company's customers which would place the Company at a competitive disadvantage.
- 6. With respect to steps the Company has taken to ensure against unauthorized disclosure of the information contained in the attachment, the Company is filing the attachment under seal. The Company uses the information contained in the Five-Year Plan to ensure that its customers continue to receive state-of-the-art high quality telecommunications and broadband services that the Company has been providing to them for many years as well as to satisfy mandatory reporting requirements and does not share the information for which protection is sought. The Company protects the secrecy of this information with a security protocol that ensures the information is not inadvertently disclosed or disseminated. Only Company personnel with a direct need to know are authorized to access the information.

- 7. Any previous versions of this information are not publicly available.
- 8. Because the information is not routinely available, a need exists for maintaining the confidentiality of this information permanently.
- 9. Not applicable.

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Based on the preceding, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission grant confidential treatment under Section 0.459 to Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 as the Line 112 attachment. Please contact me with any questions regarding this request.

Yours truly,

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<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no ) (O	
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes/no)	
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	Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached documents(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.		Name of Attached Document
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(3010)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.3.13(f)(1)(i))	
(3011)	Name of Attached Document listing Required in Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information 012 contains the required information pursuant to isses of community anchor institutions to which began
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313{(}{1}{ii})}	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required information (Yes/No) (Ps/No) (Yes/No)
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(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)  Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	sh Flows
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	
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(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	Marine of Attached Document Library Required Information (Pes/No)
(3019)	If the rasponse is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)[2], contains Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications	rmat comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	
(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.	performed the company's financial audit.
	If the response is no on line 3038, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313( $f$ )(2), contains:	
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### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

# Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the Information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: HARRISONVILLE TEL CO Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE Date 06/23/2014 Printed name of Authorized Officer: Executive VP & Sec.-Treas. Title or position of Authorized Officer: 6189399226 ext. Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 341026 Filling Due Date for this form: 07/01/2014 Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

### Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier is authorized to submit the Information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. certify that (Name of Agent) also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate. Name of Authorized Agent: Name of Reporting Carrier: Signature of Authorized Officer: Date: Printed name of Authorized Officer: Title or position of Authorized Officer: Telephone number of Authorized Officer: Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: Filing Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. 5§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001

## TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

# Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: Filing Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.



Total per line Rates and Fee OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 20.58 Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge FCC Form 481 0.0 July 2013 State Universal Service Fee 0.19 State Subscriber Line Charge HARRISONVILLE TEL CO Lee H. Whitcher 6189399252 ext. htclhw@htc.net Residential Local Service Rate 2015 <62> 11.89 1/1/2014 Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> Rate Type **612** <030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data FR Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge SAC (CETC) <83> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date <a2> (700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data Exchange (ILEC) Study Area Name <010> Study Area Code <020> Program Year Data Collection Form <18> State ī <035> <015> <707> <702> <703>

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# Harrisonville Telephone Company ("the Company") FIVE YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN DUE JULY 1, 2014

# INTRODUCTION

This five year service quality improvement plan is a section of the Company's 2014 Annual Report. It is in compliance with § 54.313(a) (1) adopted in the FCC's USF/ICC Transformation Order (11-161). This document also incorporates further clarifications identified in subsequent Reconsideration Orders, as applicable, in effect prior to the filing of the Annual Report.

The Company has carefully developed its improvement plan, concentrating upon the delivery and continuation of a robust network which provides, at a minimum, the federally required voice and broadband connectivity as stipulated by regulatory rule. The Company advises that this improvement plan has been carefully crafted, matching measured network deployment, improvement and quality service levels with known financial implications of the Transformation Order upon the Company's support cash-flows. The uncertainty of such cash flows being received in the outer-years as a result of current and potential regulatory action on rural rate-of-return carriers has resulted in the Company taking a balanced yet realistic approach.

The environment in which the Company operates remains dynamic, not static. As a result, the Company reserves the opportunity to modify its plan in response to further regulatory decisions as they are adopted and as their implication upon the Company's financial viability in providing the required services and service level quality becomes known.

The Company will re-evaluate this plan on an annual basis. Action, however, may also be taken abruptly on the presented plan for both current and outer years in the event of evolving regulatory conditions and/or changes in technology (vendor)-driven support. All adjustments to the improvement plan in this document will be reflected and explained in subsequent annual reports.

# **OVERVIEW**

The Company, as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC), currently provides Universal Service supported services to 7 exchanges.

Consistent with Commission requirements, this Service Quality Improvement Plan addresses only the Company's regulated eligible telecommunications carrier operations. A detailed description of the Company's plans for the provision of the supported services in the five-year period starting with January 2015 is provided herein.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Per 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, federal USF support, "will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." If investments or expenses are for service areas larger than the supported service areas, then allocations of the expenditures are required.







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# HARRISONVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY UNFULFILLED BROADBAND SERVICE REQUESTS PROCESS TO ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE SERVICE

A detailed engineering review was performed for each location where broadband service was requested but the Company was unable to fulfill the service request. The loop length for the location was analyzed to ascertain whether the Company could deliver quality broadband service. Utilizing broadband loop extenders, service can generally be provided where loop length from the nearest broadband access point does not exceed 35,000 feet.

# HARRISONVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY SERVICE QUALITY STANDARDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

## **Service Quality Standards Compliance**

Per Subpart A, Section 730.100 of Title 83, Chapter 1, Subchapter f of the Illinois Administrative Code, Harrisonville Telephone Company is required to meet the service quality standards contained in Section 730. Subpart E of this section addresses "Standards of Quality of Service". Subpart A, Section 730.115 requires the quarterly reporting of various installation, repair and answer time data for Illinois Commerce Commission and public review.

# **Consumer Protection Rules Compliance**

Harrisonville Telephone Company complies with the requirements of 47 CFR Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and Subpart Y, Truth in Billing Requirements for Common Carrier, and Federal Trade Commission Red Flag rules to prevent identity theft. A Company Manual for CPNI and Red Flags is in place and employee training is conducted annually. New hires are instructed on the programs as required by their job functions.

# HARRISONVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY FUNCTIONALITY IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

# **Back-up Power Capability**

All seven host/remote GTD-5 switching locations utilize natural gas or LP powered generation backup. These units can provide multi-hours of operation based on fuel consumption. In the event of a power failure, these units are utilized via an automatic transfer switch between commercial and generator power. Each generator is tested on a weekly basis. In addition, each location has battery support for the 48VDC plant facilities that can also run on an 8-12 hour timeframe. Additionally, the company has several high capacity mobile generators that can be deployed as needed and all DLC locations have generator backup.

## **Capability to Reroute Traffic Around Damaged Facilities**

The HTC network consists of multi-fiber routes within the serving territory, plus multiple ingress/egress connections from the north (Dupo, Illinois) and the south (Red Bud, Illinois). Within the internal HTC serving territory, if there is a fiber failure between communities, the facilities complete an automatic failover to the alternate route. In the event there is a failure with the north or south ingress/egress connections out of the HTC network, communications and data connectivity are routed via the operational alternate route. These alternate routes ensure maximum up-time for HTC services.

# Capability to Manage Traffic Spikes Resulting from Emergency Situations

Currently we have multiple voice carrier ingress/egress connections to support overflow of voice traffic in the event there is congestion within a carrier link. This may be managed via alternate north/south routes, or re-routing traffic to less congested carrier connections. In reference to the data ingress/egress, this connectivity is based on a diverse ring configuration. In the event there is a failure on one of the links that generates traffic congestion, additional traffic is re-routed to the alternate less congested route.

# HARRISONVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY DESCRIPTION OF VOICE SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY

The national average urban rate for voice services, as published by the Wireline Competition Bureau on March 20, 2014, in DA 14-384 was \$20.46, and the reasonable comparability benchmark for voice services was \$46.96. As detailed on the Line 700 worksheet, the Company employs a uniform effective local residential rate totaling \$20.58 per month, which is below the reasonable comparability benchmark.

# HARRISONVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY TERMS & CONDITIONS OF VOICE TELEPHONY LIFELINE PLANS

Harrisonville Telephone Company offers tariffed residential basic local exchange service which provides a network access line and unlimited calling on a flat rate basis to all exchanges within the local calling area. The tariffed rate for this service is \$26.89, including the federal subscriber line charge, less the Lifeline discount of \$9.25 for a total of \$17.64. For toll calls outside of the local calling area, the subscriber must choose an interexchange carrier. The rates for toll calls will be the rates charged by the subscriber's chosen interexchange carrier and selected calling plan.

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CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES	
1. Cash and Equivalents			25. Accounts Payable	
2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund			26. Notes Payable	
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments	
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable b. Other Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits 29. Current Mat. L/T Debt	
b. Other Accounts Receivable c. Notes Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt  30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.	
Non-Affiliates:			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.  31. Current MatCapital Leases	
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable		2 3	32. Income Taxes Accrued	
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued	
c. Notes Receivable			34. Other Current Liabilities	
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)	
6. Material-Regulated			LONG-TERM DEBT	
7. Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes	
8. Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes	
9. Other Current Assets 10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes  39. Funded Debt-Other	
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NONCURRENT ASSETS		ž.	41. Premium (Discount) on I/T Debt	
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies		2	42. Reacquired Debt	
a. Rural Development			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease	
b. Nonrural Development			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies	
12. Other Investments			45. Other Long-Term Debt	
a. Rural Development b. Nonrural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)	
b. Nonrural Development  13. Nonregulated investments			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS  47. Other Long-Term Liabilities	
14. Other Noncurrent Assets			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities  48. Other Deferred Credits	
15. Deferred Charges			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences	
16. Jurisdictional Differences			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 4	49)
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			EQUITY	
			51. Cap. Stock Outstanding & Subscribed	
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			52. Additional Paid-in-Capita!	
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service			53. Treasury Stock	
19. Property Held for Future Use			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates	
20. Plant Under Construction 21. Plant Adi Nonen Plant & Goodwill			55. Other Capital	
Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill     Less Accumulated Depreciation			Patronage Capital Credits     Retained Earnings or Margins	
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins  58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)	
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24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)	

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PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARINGS OR MA	ARGINS PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
Local Network Services Revenues		
Network Access Services Revenues		
Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		
6. Uncollectible Revenues		
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)	6	
Plant Specific Operations Expense		
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10. Depreciation Expense		
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense		
13. Corporate Operations Expense		
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes		
18. Federal Income Taxes		
19. Other Taxes		
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22. Interest on Funded Debt	The State of the S	
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense		
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		
27. Nonoperating Net Income		
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income		
31. Total Net Income or margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)		
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
39. Retained Earnings or Margins end-of-Period ((31+33+34)-(35+36+37+38))		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)	couperty-	
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11)/7]		
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26)/7]		
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H	Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)	
	CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
2.	Net Income	
	Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
m	Add: Depreciation	
4.	Add: Amortization	
ις	Other {Explain}	
	Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	
Ġ	Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable	
7.	Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory	
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o,	Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets	
10.	Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	
11	Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments	
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13.		
	CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
14.	Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable	
15.	. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable	
16	Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits	
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19	. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital	
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22.		
23	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities	
	CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
24.	Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)	
22	Other Long-Term Investments	
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27.		
28.	. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	
59.	. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	
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